

STALWART MENDACITY.

If Abraham Lincoln were running for congress in Kansas this year he would be more abused by the Populist orators than old John Sherman himself. Lincoln not only signed the "exception law" but he urged congress to pass it.—Capital, September 26.

Mr. Chairman, let me say in conclusion that unless this bill can pass with the legal tender clause in it, it is not desirable to its friends on the ADMINISTRATION that it pass at all, and those who think as I do will have to vote against it if it shall be thus mutilated and emasculated. If it is to be defeated I would be glad if we had the power which they have in the British parliament—re-sign our places on the committee of ways and means and leave to those who oppose this bill to mature some other measure.—Thaddeus Stevens in the house February 8, 1862. Congressional Globe, part 1, second session Thirty-seventh congress, page 689.

These remarks related especially to the legal tender clause of the bill, and Mr. Stevens distinctly states that if the bill could not pass with this clause in it that it was not desirable to its friends or to the administration that it pass at all.

E. G. Spaulding, Thaddeus Stevens and Samuel Hooper were the leaders of the party administration in the They represented the views and house. gave utterance to the sentiments of the administration upon this bill and upon other financial measures of the war period. Still the Capital unblushingly says that Lincoln favored this infamous exception when his representatives in the house fought it bitterly at every stage of its progress. The Capital is the most unmitigated fraud in the state, considering its capacity.

MAKE HIM THE ISSUE.

Ex-Senator Ingalls seems to be trying to groom himself for a senatorial candidate again. Why don't the republican managers take him for an issue? They are sadly in need of one just now. They have so far overdone the boodle and corruption business that their own people are disgusted with it, and are calling a halt. For instance, the State Journal, good, orthodox republican though it is, has the following on September 24:

When it is thought desirable to abuse a man in Kansas politics, it is stated that Pete Kline paid him some money. Pete Kline is a lottery man operating in Kansas City, Kas., and has been accused of giving away more money as bribes than he ever saw. It would be interesting to hear Pete Kline's side of the story.—Atchison Globe.

The above is about true. These Pete Kline stories that never seem to materialize into anything tangible are getting frightfully stale. Pete Kline is always giving away thousands of dollars here and thousands of dollars there, but nobody ever seems to know the facts. Now, until somebody does know them a suffering public begs that there be a general drying up on the subject. When the State Journal publishes a statement, it gets the facts or else it keeps still until it can get them. Windy guesses are not news.

The Pilcher affair has turned out to be a boomerang, the whole medical fraternity, regardless of party, sustaining Dr. Pilcher's practice, and altogether the republican state central committee is in a bad way. It is still on the hunt for stink pots, but it has about exhausted the supply,

and it is feared its campaign material will run short. Take up Ingalls, gentlemen, he is as much of a fraud as you have left.

THE CHAMPION IN ERROR.

One of the most potent factors in preventing silver coinage is the visionary scheme of the Peffer school of politicians who persistently insist that the dollar representing a debt is better than the dollar representing the wealth.—Atchison Champion, September 16.

The Champion has the proposition of what it is pleased to term "the Peffer school of politicians" stated precisely the reverse of what it is. If there is one thing in the financial policy of the nation that this school of politicians objects to it is the dollar that represents debt. The government bonds extant represent the debt of the nation. National bankers are permitted upon a deposit of these bonds with the treasurer of the United States, to issue national currency based upon this national debt. This we hold is a fraud. We say that instead of thus farming out to corporations the constitutional prerogative to coin money, congress should resume this function and exercise it for the good of all the people, basing the money issued upon the aggregate wealth of the nation and not upon its evidences of debt. If the Champion and its compatriots were less blinded by partisan bigotry and were disposed to treat the doctrines of political opponents with fairness it would not make such a ridiculous break as the above.

WHAT AN OUTRAGE!

Among other things the late New York republican convention resolved:

While pretending to be in favor of individual freedom, it (congress) has hastened to enact an odious income tax bill, empowering deputy collectors to enter the homes of citizens and compel them by threats of official summons and heavy penalties to disclose their private affairs.

When the assessor makes his annual rounds in the rural districts does he ever "enter the homes of citizens and compel them to disclose their private affairs?" How is any valuation of property for purposes of taxation obtained? Are the "private affairs" of millionaires so much more sacred than the affairs of the common people that it is an unpardonable sin to inquire into them? Do these fellows object to the income tax law on account of the inquiry into their private affairs or on account of the tax they are required to pay? If it were not for the payment of their legitimate share of taxation, would they not rather glory in the parade of their vast possessions before the eyes of less prosperous mortals? Who will be blinded by this hypocrisy?

A BOOMERANG.

The Populists have quit denying the charges against that fellow Pilcher and are now openly justifying his outrageous acts. Will the people, also, indorse him by their votes in November? Well, hardly.—Emporia Republican, September 19.

Populists have never denied Dr. Pilcher's practice. The republican cess-pool politicians not only make a campaign of stink pots against Popu-

list officials, but they assail the achievements of science with like instruments. They would stay the march of human progress and turn the world backward to the dark ages. They cannot find a reputable physician in the state of any party who will not sustain Dr. Pilcher. This assault upon the management of the Winfield asylum will prove the greatest boomerang the republican managers have yet encountered. Read the editorial from the Kansas Medical Journal in this week's ADVOCATE. This journal has the names of five republican physicians at the head of its editorial columns and the editorial is a scathing rebuke to the stink-pot politicians who are running this campaign.

THE SANTA FE REORGANIZATION.

The Santa Fe protective committee is engaged in the work of reorganization and it is stated that rumors of changes in the directory and management are creating consternation in certain quarters. A recent circular from this committee to the stockholders says:

It (the committee) has radical purposes in view with regard to a new board of directors. It believes that the controlling elements in the recent management be eradicated and the company placed in the hands of men who will command respect and confidence of the public.

In order to command respect and confidence of the people of Kansas the management must cease to be a political machine run in the interest of the republican party. Does the new management contemplate a change of this character?

It is thought that Colonel Van Horn, of the Kansas City Journal, will be elected despite his cranky free silver views. If he is it will be a great tribute to his worth as a man and as a public official.—Lawrence Journal, September 26.

O, yes, the republican party is a free silver party. Its vote in the special session of congress last year shows that; and doesn't Morrill say he is in favor of it? Free silver views are cranky views, of course, but can't republicans be cranks if they can fool the people in that way?

While republican editors and stump speakers are telling on the one hand how the new democratic tariff is ruining the country, they are telling on the other hand how business is improving. The two stories do not agree very well but it is the best the managers can do, and in fact they are about as consistent upon this as upon the silver question.

AREPOS of Jeff Hudson's explanation that he can not afford to represent the Third district in congress on \$5,000, the Wichita Eagle remarks that the salary seems to be big enough for Tom Reed.—Capital, September 15.

Tom Reed's school of politicians would get along fully as well without any salary. They rely chiefly upon the perquisites of the office.

THE Populists' philosophy is that you can live for nothing. If that theory wins, there will be nothing to live for.—Atchison Champion, September 26.

Now, reader, think for a moment of the absurdity of the above statement.

And this is republican argument against Populism, and by a republican ex-lieutenant governor, too.

JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN has declared for the reform of the British house of lords on the lines of the United States senate.—Kansas City Star.

Why not? The United States senate is a more aristocratic and lordly body to-day than the British house, and it is quite natural that the British lords should become jealous of it.

THE Kansas republican managers are seeking to redeem the state with such men as Fletcher Merideth alias Burton Moon, a man of the Breckenridge stripe. Even old bourbon Kentucky has too much decency to support such men.

An Incident.

It is not worth while for Major Morrill to deceive the people at this stage of the game as to his views on silver coinage. His thirty years' record as a note shaver and oppressor of the poor and unfortunate give the lie to these false pretenses. His interests are and have been, and will in the future continue to be, in the contraction, gold-bug ranks. The entire republican ticket, state and congressional, is composed of gold-bugs. The Salina Union tells how Calderhead's hypocrisy was exposed by an inquisitive listener: "Now, Mr. Calderhead, you told us where John Davis stands on the financial question but you failed to tell us where you stand." "I did not have time," said Calderhead. "It is not near train time and the station is close by," said the Populist. Looking at the Populist steadily and impressively for a few seconds, Calderhead, with a wave of the hand and in deep tones, said: "I stand where Dick Blue stands." And Dick Blue in his speech says he stands where Morrill stands. And now we understand it as clearly as the master did when he called to his negro servant: "Sambo, where is the hoe?" "Wid de rake, massa." "And where is the rake?" "Wid de hoe, massa." "And where are they both, you black fool?" "Why, massa, dey is bofe togedder."

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